

EXTENDING THE AUTHORITY FOR THE INVESTIGATION  
OF THE FUEL RESERVES AND TO FORMULATE A FUEL  
POLICY FOR THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 25 (legislative day, JANUARY 8), 1951.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. HAYDEN, from the Committee on Rules and Administration,  
submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany S. Res. 33]

The Committee on Rules and Administration, to whom was referred the resolution (S. Res. 33) extending the authority for the investigation of the fuel reserves and to formulate a fuel policy for the United States, having considered same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the resolution be agreed to.

This resolution authorizes the continuance of the investigation of available fuel reserves in the United States and the study of methods which would encourage the development of fuels, but not including atomic energy and the employment of new fuels which might be byproducts from agricultural commodities.

The necessity for its continuance is explained in the following letter from the chairman of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to the chairman of the Committee on Rules and Administration:

JANUARY 22, 1951.

Hon. CARL HAYDEN,  
*Chairman, Committee on Rules and Administration,  
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR SENATOR HAYDEN: On August 15, 1950, your committee favorably reported Senate Resolution 239 authorizing a full and complete investigation and study of the available fuel reserves of the United States. The resolution provided \$20,000 and required a report by December 31, 1950.

However, when it was found impossible to complete the work of the committee by the end of the Eighty-first Congress, you were good enough to favorably report Senate Resolution 374 which continued the authorization until January 31, 1951. Although Senate Resolution 374 originally requested authority until the end of the Eighty-second Congress, your committee felt that it had best not commit the Eighty-second Congress longer than the first month of the current session.

Senate Resolution 33 does not request additional funds. The only expenditures made thus far have been for the employment of one stenographer, an expenditure of \$810. The greatest amount of the work has been done by the regular committee

staff. At the present time there is being printed a comprehensive monograph, a factual study of the fuels which include petroleum, natural gas, coal, and electric power. The committee was hopeful that this monograph would have been distributed before the first of the year in order to provide the basis first for a round-table discussion with members of the various industries, to be followed by appropriate hearings. Delays in the accumulation and compilation of materials and at the Printing Office impeded the production of the monograph. Senate Resolution 33 extends the authority for the study until June 30, the end of the fiscal year. Your favorable consideration will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH C. O'MAHONEY,

*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.*

A proposed budget for the expenditure of the funds (\$20,000) granted by the original resolution (S. Res. 239, 81st Cong., agreed to on August 15, 1950) is as follows:

Staff director.....	\$4, 100
Reporters.....	3, 300
Travel.....	12, 000
Office supplies.....	600
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>20, 000</b>

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